

HW-7

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1). Here, I will be solving problems **19** and **20** from Cookbook-II.

19 Here, we show that the transformation $t = \ln x$ transforms the DE in equation (5) of the text-portion of Cookbook-II to the one in (6).

Solution. Suppose we have a DE of the form

$$x^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + \alpha x \frac{dy}{dx} + \beta y = 0, \quad x > 0$$

where α, β are constants. Let us substitute $t = \ln x$. By the chain rule, we first have the following equations.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{dy}{dt} \frac{dt}{dx} \\ \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} &= \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} \left(\frac{dt}{dx} \right)^2 + \frac{dy}{dt} \frac{d^2 t}{dx^2} \end{aligned}$$

In our case, we have

$$\frac{dt}{dx} = \frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{e^t}, \quad \frac{d^2 t}{dx^2} = -\frac{1}{x^2} = -\frac{1}{e^{2t}}$$

So using the above two equations, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{1}{e^t} \frac{dy}{dt} \\ \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} &= \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} \frac{1}{e^{2t}} + \frac{dy}{dt} \left(-\frac{1}{e^{2t}} \right) \end{aligned}$$

So, the original DE becomes

$$e^{2t} \left(\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} \frac{1}{e^{2t}} + \frac{dy}{dt} \left(-\frac{1}{e^{2t}} \right) \right) + \alpha e^t \left(\frac{1}{e^t} \frac{dy}{dt} \right) + \beta y = 0$$

which gives us

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} - \frac{dy}{dt} + \alpha \frac{dy}{dt} + \beta y = 0$$

which is the same as the equation

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + (\alpha - 1) \frac{dy}{dt} + \beta y = 0$$

and this finishes the proof. ■

20 Here we show that the transformation $t = \int q(x)^{\frac{1}{2}} dx$ transforms the DE in (7) in the text portion of Cookbook-II to a linear DE with constant co-efficients.

Solution. Suppose we have an equation of the form

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + p(x)\frac{dy}{dx} + q(x)y = 0$$

on an interval I such that $q > 0$ on I and

$$\frac{q'(x) + 2p(x)q(x)}{2(q(x))^{3/2}} = c$$

for some $c \in \mathbf{R}$ on I . Consider the transformation

$$t = \int \sqrt{q(x)} dx$$

Again, by the chain rule, we first have the following equations.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{dy}{dt} \frac{dt}{dx} \\ \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} \left(\frac{dt}{dx} \right)^2 + \frac{dy}{dt} \frac{d^2t}{dx^2} \end{aligned}$$

In our case, we have

$$\frac{dt}{dx} = \sqrt{q(x)} \quad , \quad \frac{d^2t}{dx^2} = \frac{q'(x)}{2\sqrt{q(x)}}$$

Putting all this together, we have the following.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dy}{dx} &= \frac{dy}{dt} \sqrt{q(x)} \\ \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} \left(\sqrt{q(x)} \right)^2 + \frac{dy}{dt} \frac{q'(x)}{2\sqrt{q(x)}} \end{aligned}$$

So, our original equation becomes

$$q(x) \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + \frac{q'(x)}{2\sqrt{q(x)}} \frac{dy}{dt} + p(x)\sqrt{q(x)} \frac{dy}{dt} + q(x)y = 0$$

which is the same as the equation

$$q(x) \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + \frac{q'(x) + 2p(x)q(x)}{2\sqrt{q(x)}} \frac{dy}{dt} + q(x)y = 0$$

Dividing throughout by $q(x)$, we get

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + \frac{q'(x) + 2p(x)q(x)}{2q(x)^{3/2}} \frac{dy}{dt} + y = 0$$

which by assumption is the equation

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + c \frac{dy}{dt} + y = 0$$

which is clearly a linear DE with constant coefficients. This proves the claim. ■

2). Let \mathbf{v} be the vector field on $\Omega = \{(x, y, z) \mid y \neq 0\}$ given by

$$\mathbf{v} = ((y^2 + z^2)y^{-1}, xz, -xy)$$

We first find two first integrals for \mathbf{v} on a suitable large open subset U of Ω . Note that the corresponding DE is

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} (y^2 + z^2)y^{-1} \\ xz \\ -xy \end{bmatrix}$$

Let U be the subset of Ω given by $U = \{(x, y, z) \mid x \neq 0, y \neq 0\}$. On U , observe that

$$\frac{dy}{dz} = \frac{xz}{-xy} = \frac{-z}{y}$$

and this is clearly a separable DE. Solving this, we get

$$\int y \, dy = \int -z \, dz$$

and this gives us

$$\frac{y^2}{2} = \frac{-z^2}{2} + c'_1$$

for some $c'_1 \in \mathbf{R}$. Rearranging, we get

$$y^2 + z^2 = 2c'_1 = c_1$$

where $c_1 \in \mathbf{R}$. So, if we define the function $f : U \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ given by

$$f(x, y, z) = y^2 + z^2$$

then it follows that f is a first integral for \mathbf{v} . This can be easily verified by checking the equation

$$(y^2 + z^2)y^{-1} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + xz \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} - xy \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \equiv 0$$

on U . So, one first integral has been found.

Now, using the fact that $y^2 + z^2 = c_1$ on U (and hence $c_1 > 0$), we see that

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{c_1}{y}$$

on U . So, we get

$$\frac{dx}{dz} = \frac{c_1}{y} \frac{1}{-xy} = \frac{-c_1}{xy^2} = \frac{-c_1}{x(c_1 - z^2)}$$

and again we have a separable DE. Upon rearranging, we get

$$x \frac{dx}{dz} = \frac{-c_1}{(c_1 - z^2)}$$

and hence

$$\int x \, dx = -c_1 \int \frac{1}{c_1 - z^2} \, dz$$

which gives us

$$\frac{x^2}{2} = -c_1 \left(\frac{\log\left(\frac{z}{\sqrt{c_1}} + 1\right)}{2\sqrt{c_1}} - \frac{\log\left(1 - \frac{z}{\sqrt{c_1}}\right)}{2\sqrt{c_1}} + c'_2 \right)$$

for some $c'_2 \in \mathbf{R}$, and this can be written as

$$\frac{x^2}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{c_1}}{2} \left(\log \left(1 - \frac{z}{\sqrt{c_1}} \right) - \log \left(1 + \frac{z}{\sqrt{c_1}} \right) \right) + c_2$$

where $c_2 = -c_1 c'_2 \in \mathbf{R}$, and hence

$$\frac{x^2}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{c_1}}{2} \log \left(\frac{\sqrt{c_1} - z}{\sqrt{c_1} + z} \right) + c_2$$

Now, replacing c_1 by $y^2 + z^2$ above, we get

$$\frac{x^2}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{y^2 + z^2}}{2} \log \left(\frac{\sqrt{y^2 + z^2} - z}{\sqrt{y^2 + z^2} + z} \right) + c_2$$

and this gives us

$$\frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{y^2 + z^2}}{2} \log \left(\frac{\sqrt{y^2 + z^2} - z}{\sqrt{y^2 + z^2} + z} \right) = c_2$$

So if we define the function $g : U \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ by

$$g(x, y, z) = \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{y^2 + z^2}}{2} \log \left(\frac{\sqrt{y^2 + z^2} - z}{\sqrt{y^2 + z^2} + z} \right)$$

then it follows that g is a first integral for v .

Now, we show that the level surfaces $f = c_1$ and $g = c_2$ intersect transversally. To show this, it is enough to show that the Jacobian matrix $\partial(f, g)/\partial(x, y, z)$ has rank 2 at every point of U . Now, we have

$$\frac{\partial(f, g)}{\partial(x, y, z)} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2y & 2z \\ x & \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial g}{\partial z} \end{bmatrix}$$

Observe that on U , we have $x \neq 0$. So, it follows that the rank of the Jacobian is always 2 (because the two rows cannot be scalar multiples of each other), and this proves the claim.

3). Let \mathbf{v} be the vector field on \mathbf{R}^3 given by

$$\mathbf{v} = \begin{bmatrix} y + z \\ y \\ x - y \end{bmatrix}$$

Let U be the open subset of \mathbf{R}^3 on which $z^2 > (x - y)^2$ and $y > 0$.

(a) First we find two first integrals f and g for \mathbf{v} on U such that their level surfaces intersect transversally. The corresponding DE is

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} y + z \\ y \\ x - y \end{bmatrix}$$

From here, we can see that

$$\frac{d(x + z)}{dt} = x + z$$

and hence we see that

$$\frac{d(x + z)}{dy} = \frac{x + z}{y}$$

This implies that

$$\frac{1}{y^2} \left(y \frac{d(x+z)}{dy} - (x+z) \right) = 0$$

which is the same as writing

$$\frac{1}{y} \frac{d(x+z)}{dy} - \frac{1}{y^2} (x+z) = \frac{d}{dy} \left(\frac{1}{y} (x+z) \right) = 0$$

and hence this implies that

$$\frac{x+z}{y} = c_1$$

for some $c_1 \in \mathbf{R}$. So, if we define the function $f : U \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ given by

$$f(x, y, z) = \frac{x+z}{y}$$

then it follows that f is a first integral for \mathbf{v} on U , and this easily follows by verifying the equation

$$(y+z) \frac{\partial f}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} + (x-y) \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \equiv 0 \quad \text{on } U$$

Also from the given DE we can see that

$$\frac{d(x-y)}{dt} = z$$

and hence we see that

$$\frac{d(x-y)}{dz} = \frac{z}{x-y}$$

This is again a separable DE which we can solve. By integrating we get

$$\int (x-y) d(x-y) = \int z dz = \frac{z^2}{2} + c'_2$$

for some $c'_2 \in \mathbf{R}$. This gives us

$$(x-y)^2 - z^2 = 2c'_2 = c_2$$

for all $(x, y, z) \in U$. So if we define a function $g : U \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ given by

$$g(x, y, z) = (x-y)^2 - z^2$$

then it follows that g is a first integral for \mathbf{v} on U . Again, this can be easily verified by checking the equation

$$(y+z) \frac{\partial g}{\partial x} + y \frac{\partial g}{\partial y} + (x-y) \frac{\partial g}{\partial z} \equiv 0 \quad \text{on } U$$

So, we have found two first integrals f, g on U . We now show that the level surfaces $f = c_1$ and $g = c_2$ intersect transversally, and to show this we show that $\partial(f, g)/\partial(x, y, z)$ has rank 2 on U . Observe that

$$\frac{\partial(f, g)}{\partial(x, y, z)} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{y} & \frac{-(x+z)}{y^2} & \frac{1}{y} \\ 2(x-y) & -2(x-y) & -2z \end{bmatrix}$$

Now, I claim that this matrix must have rank 2. Because $y > 0$ on U , it is clear that this matrix has rank atleast 1. For the sake of contradiction, suppose the matrix has rank 2. So, there is some non-zero $\lambda \in \mathbf{R}$ such that

$$\begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{y} \\ -\frac{(x+z)}{y^2} \\ \frac{1}{y} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2\lambda(x-y) \\ -2\lambda(x-y) \\ -2\lambda z \end{bmatrix}$$

This implies that

$$2\lambda(x-y) = -2\lambda z$$

and this implies that

$$(x-y)^2 = z^2$$

which is a contradiction, since $(x, y, z) \in U$. So, it follows that the Jacobian has rank 2 at all points of U , and hence the level surfaces intersect transversally.

(b) Let (x_0, y_0, z_0) be a point in U . We will find a solution to the IVP

$$\dot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{v}(\mathbf{x}) \quad , \quad \mathbf{x}(0) = (x_0, y_0, z_0)$$

Let S_1 and S_2 be the level curves given by the equations $f = c_1$ and $g = c_2$, where $c_1 = f(x_0, y_0, z_0)$ and $c_2 = g(x_0, y_0, z_0)$. Let $C = S_1 \cap S_2$. The two surfaces that we have are

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x+z}{y} &= c_1 & (c_1 \neq 0) \\ (x-y)^2 - z^2 &= c_2 \end{aligned}$$

From the first equation, we get that $x+z = c_1 y$, which means $z = c_1 y - x$. Putting this value of z in the second equation, we get

$$(x-y)^2 - (c_1 y - x)^2 = c_2$$

and this implies

$$x = \frac{y^2(c_1^2 - 1) + c_2}{2y(c_1 - 1)} \quad , \quad z = \frac{y^2(c_1^2 - 2c_1 + 1) - c_2}{2y(c_1 - 1)} = \frac{y^2(c_1 - 1)^2 - c_2}{2y(c_1 - 1)}$$

Now, we also have the equation $\dot{y} = y$, which is again separable, and we also have the initial condition $y(0) = y_0$. Solving this DE, we get

$$\int \frac{1}{y} dy = \int 1 dt = t + C$$

for some $C \in \mathbf{R}$. This gives us

$$\ln y = t + C$$

and hence we get that $C = \ln y_0$. This gives us

$$y = y_0 e^t$$

and hence

$$(x, y, z) = \left(\frac{y_0^2 e^{2t}(c_1^2 - 1) + c_2}{2y_0 e^t(c_1 - 1)}, y_0 e^t, \frac{y_0^2 e^{2t}(c_1 - 1)^2 - c_2}{2y_0 e^t(c_1 - 1)} \right)$$

where

$$c_1 = \frac{x_0 + z_0}{y_0} \quad , \quad c_2 = (x_0 - y_0)^2 - z_0^2$$

So, if $\mathbf{p}_0 = (x_0, y_0, z_0)$ is our initial point, then the solution to the IVP is the function $\varphi_{\mathbf{p}_0}$ defined by

$$\varphi_{\mathbf{p}_0}(t) = \left(\frac{y_0^2 e^{2t}(c_1^2 - 1) + c_2}{2y_0 e^t(c_1 - 1)}, y_0 e^t, \frac{y_0^2 e^{2t}(c_1 - 1)^2 - c_2}{2y_0 e^t(c_1 - 1)} \right)$$

(c) From the parametric form of the solution, it is clear that the solution $\varphi_{\mathbf{p}_0}$ depends smoothly on $\mathbf{p}_0 = (x_0, y_0, z_0)$: note that the constants c_1 and c_2 are \mathcal{C}^1 functions of (x_0, y_0, z_0) , and hence the solution also depends on the point in a smooth way.

4). For $\mathbf{p} = (x, y, z) \in U$ and $t \in J_{\max}(\mathbf{p})$ we define

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{y}_1(t) &= \left(e^t, 0, \left(\frac{1}{2} y e^{2t} - \frac{1}{2} y \right) \sec^2(\theta(t, x, y, z)) \right) \\ \mathbf{y}_2(t) &= \left(0, e^t, \left(\frac{1}{2} x e^{2t} - \frac{1}{2} x \right) \sec^2(\theta(t, x, y, z)) \right) \end{aligned}$$

(a) We show that \mathbf{y}_1 is a solution of the homogenous linear IVP

$$\dot{\zeta} = A(t, x, y, z)\zeta \quad , \quad \zeta(0) = \mathbf{e}_1$$

where $\{\mathbf{e}_1, \mathbf{e}_2, \mathbf{e}_3\}$ is the standard basis of \mathbf{R}^3 . We observe a couple of things. First note that

$$\frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t}(t, x, y, z) = x y e^{2t}$$

Now, observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{y}'_1(t) &= \left(e^t, 0, y e^{2t} \sec^2(\theta(t, x, y, z)) + \left(\frac{1}{2} y e^{2t} - \frac{1}{2} y \right) \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial t} 2 \sec^2(\theta(t, x, y, z)) \tan(\theta(t, x, y, z)) \right) \\ &= \left(e^t, 0, y e^{2t} \sec^2(\theta(t, x, y, z)) + 2 x y e^{2t} \left(\frac{1}{2} y e^{2t} - \frac{1}{2} y \right) \sec^2(\theta(t, x, y, z)) \tan(\theta(t, x, y, z)) \right) \end{aligned}$$

Now, observe that

$$\begin{aligned} A(t, x, y, z)\mathbf{y}_1(t) &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ y e^t \sec^2(\theta(t, x, y, z)) & x e^t \sec^2(\theta(t, x, y, z)) & 2 x y e^{2t} \tan(\theta(t, x, y, z)) \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{y}_1(t) \\ &= \left(e^t, 0, y e^{2t} \sec^2(\theta(t, x, y, z)) + 2 x y e^{2t} \left(\frac{1}{2} y e^{2t} - \frac{1}{2} y \right) \sec^2(\theta(t, x, y, z)) \tan(\theta(t, x, y, z)) \right) \end{aligned}$$

and hence we obtain

$$\mathbf{y}'_1(t) = A(t, x, y, z)\mathbf{y}_1(t)$$

Now, observe that

$$\mathbf{y}_1(0) = (1, 0, 0) = \mathbf{e}_1$$

and so this proves that \mathbf{y}_1 is a solution of the given IVP.

(b) First, observe that

$$\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y}(x, y, z, t) = \left(0, e^t, \left(\frac{1}{2} x e^{2t} - \frac{1}{2} x \right) \sec^2(\theta(t, x, y, z)) \right) = \mathbf{y}_2(t)$$

So, we see that

$$\mathbf{y}_2(t) = \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial t \partial y}(x, y, z, t) = \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y \partial t}(x, y, z, t)$$

where above we used equality of mixed partial derivatives, since φ is a \mathcal{C}^2 function. Now, observe that

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y \partial t}(x, y, z, t) &= \frac{\partial \dot{\varphi}}{\partial y}(x, y, z, t) \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \mathbf{v}(\varphi(x, y, z, t))\end{aligned}$$

To compute the above partial derivative, we will use the chain rule. Consider the function $\mathbf{v} \circ \varphi$. Note that

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \mathbf{v} \circ \varphi(x, y, z, t) = \text{second column of } J(\mathbf{v} \circ \varphi)(x, y, z, t)$$

Also by the chain rule,

$$\begin{aligned}J(\mathbf{v} \circ \varphi)(x, y, z, t) &= (J\mathbf{v})(\varphi(x, y, z, t)) \cdot (J\varphi)(x, y, z, t) \\ &= A(t, x, y, z) \cdot (J\varphi)(x, y, z, t)\end{aligned}$$

Now, the second column of the matrix $(J\varphi)(x, y, z, t)$ is simply $\frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y}(x, y, z, t) = \mathbf{y}_2(t)$, as we saw above. So it follows that the second column of $J(\mathbf{v} \circ \varphi)(x, y, z, t)$ is $A(t, x, y, z)\mathbf{y}_2(t)$. So, combining everything, we see that

$$\dot{\mathbf{y}}_2(t) = A(t, x, y, z)\mathbf{y}_2(t)$$

Also, observe that

$$\mathbf{y}_2(0) = (0, 1, 0) = \mathbf{e}_2$$

and hence this shows that \mathbf{y}_2 is the solution of the given IVP, and this completes the proof.

(c) As in part (b) above, the solution to the IVP

$$\dot{\boldsymbol{\zeta}} = A(t, x, y, z)\boldsymbol{\zeta} \quad , \quad \boldsymbol{\zeta}(0) = \mathbf{e}_3$$

will be

$$\mathbf{y}_3(t) = \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial y}(x, y, z, t)$$

and the justification will be similar to what we did in part (b).